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**DODD, LIEBERMAN AND LARSON ANNOUNCE LEGISLATION TO  
ENCOURAGE TAX RELIEF FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND  
EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONDERS**

***Measure Would Prevent IRS From Taxing Compensation for Service***

NEWINGTON- Senators Chris Dodd, Joseph I. Lieberman and Congressman John B. Larson today announced the introduction of legislation that would prevent the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) from taxing the compensation awarded to local volunteer firefighters and emergency medical responders for service to their communities. The lawmakers have introduced identical measures in both houses of Congress.